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All persons are by nature free and independent, and have certain natural and unalienable rights, among which are those of enjoying and defending life and liberty, of acquiring, possessing, and protecting property, and of pursuing and obtaining safety and happiness.

-- Article 1, Section 1, New Jersey State Constitution

America Is a Police State

By Neil Boortz

About 10 days ago, some obscure British diplomat opined that America was becoming a police state. This utterance brought on the usual expressions of outrage from Americans who have grown somewhat weary of the anti-American sentiments of foreign leftists.

Now that the rhetoric has died down a bit, can we take a second look at what this anti-American firebrand had to say? While it's almost certainly true that this British politician's statement had malicious, rather than benevolent, overtones, perhaps we should consider whether there might be some truth in his words. Let's take that "police state" charge and run with it for a few hundred words.

First, a definition: The Internet's dictionary.com website defines "police state" as: "A state in which the government exercises rigid and repressive controls over the social, economic and political life of the people, especially by means of a secret police force."

Simple enough! All we have to do now is discern whether or not our beloved country exercises what might be called "rigid and oppressive controls" over our "social, economic and political life." I'm certainly not here to argue that America has become a police state in the image of any number of communist, fascist or theocratic regimes you could name. Let's just say that we need to look at this picture a bit more closely.

First, our social life: We begin early here, with zero-tolerance rules in our schools. Would you say that kicking a young girl out of school because her Tweetie Bird key chain is a weapon is just a bit rigid? How about expelling an

Eagle Scout who inadvertently came to school with his Boy Scout ax in the trunk of his car after a Scout meeting the previous night?

As we move into adulthood, we face Republican Sen. Rick Santorum's expressed belief that the nuances of our sex lives ought to be subject to government regulation based on majority rule! In Santorum's America, you would presumably have to get your government's blessing before you became too adventurous with your mate in the privacy of your home. In some states Alabama, for instance the "improper" use of a battery-operated device could land you in the pokey!

And what of the sanctity of your home? In Covington, Ga., you are required by law to submit to government inspections of your home. They even measure the temperature inside your refrigerator! If you resist the inspection, you will be arrested and jailed while the government inspectors prowl through your stuff.

In government colleges and universities across the nation, students are subject to disciplinary action if they utter an "offensive" or "insensitive" thought. We're running out of space ... so let's move on to our economic lives.

The level of taxation burdening the average American family in 2003 is higher than that imposed by the British Crown in pre-revolutionary war America. Many Americans work into the month of June without earning one single penny for themselves. We are forced to "contribute" almost 15 percent of our earnings into a bankrupt income redistribution /vote-buying scheme that is sold to us as a retirement and insurance plan. Our government goes to extreme measures to make it as difficult as possible for us to provide for the

health-care needs of our families, preferring instead to build dependence on employers and government.

Our government can pry into your bank accounts without your knowledge or permission, and just recently tried to enact a program that would require our bank or credit union to notify the government in the event you engage in any economic activity that doesn't track with your past behavior.

Remember, also, the forfeiture regulations. We actually had a U.S. senator introduce legislation that, if it had become law, would have permitted any local or federal law enforcement officer to seize your cash if he happened to find you carrying more than 10 grand in an airport, bus station, interstate highway or most other public places. No arrest, no questions, no charges ... just take the money. The legislation failed, but police agencies seize cash from hapless citizens just the same.

We find evidence of government rigidity and oppression in our political lives too. Just try to get a third party on a ballot in almost any state. It's difficult to impossible. Gerrymandering voters into congressional districts shaped like drunken tapeworms denies many voters an effective voice in Congress. And let's not forget the Democrats' efforts in 2000 to wipe out the votes of Americans serving abroad in the uniform of our armed forces.

Finally, what about the definition's reference to "secret police?" Consider the IRS, the DEA and the ATF. The IRS, for instance, pays your neighbor or co-worker to spy on your economic and social behavior.

Space runs short, the examples do not. For further reading, I

refer you to the Bush administration's Patriot Acts I and II. Happy reading.

USA PATRIOT Act I (H.R. 3162)
<http://www.epic.org/privacy/terrorism/hr3162.html>

Patriot Act II (draft)
<http://www.dailyrotten.com/source-docs/patriot2draft.html>

-- WorldNet Daily, May 13, 2003

J. Edgar Hoover: The Man and the Secrets

Authored by Curt Gentry

The definitive expose of Federal Bureau of Investigation director Hoover and the virtually unchecked power he wielded for 50 years. The book reveals how he used blackmail to influence presidents and influence the Supreme Court; inhibited the civil rights movement; forged connections with organized crime; and played a sinister role in the investigations of the assassinations of John F. Kennedy and Martin Luther King, Jr. -- 2001, 848 pages (Norton)

Gun Manufacturers & the Magazine Ban

The 1994 Clinton/Feinstein federal ban on numerous semi-automatic rifles also includes a federal ban on the importation of magazines that hold more than 10 rounds. Law enforcement -- our servants -- are exempt from that restriction. As if a cop's life and means of self-defense is superior to yours, an absurdity beyond ridiculous.

That magazine ban is due to sunset in September 2004 when the semi-auto rifle ban sunsets. Certain domestic enemies in Congress are already moaning to renew and expand the ban. Screw them all.

Any law enforcement officer who thinks he deserves more effective magazine capacity than you do is not your friend, and not Liberty's friend. Period. Federal, state, local -- irrelevant. The Second Amendment is a "right of the people". Any person who can't read simple English is unfit to wear a badge. More than a few government employees need to get that through their thick skulls.

If the Clinton/Feinstein gun ban is renewed by Congress and signed into law by our "pro gun" President, any gun manufacturer that continues to sell feeding devices to law enforcement agencies that are banned from The People is going to feel the

sting of Activism.

The Smith & Wesson treatment. In other words, pain at the bottom line.

--Keep and Bear Arms, May 2, 2003

Back in '97...

On June 4, 1997 the House of Representatives overwhelmingly rejected (54 to 369) an amendment to the State Department reauthorization bill that would have required the United States to withdraw from the United Nations and close the U.S. mission there.

Rep. Ron Paul (R-Tex.) the amendment's sponsor argued that membership in the U.N. is unconstitutional, along with all the various U.N. "treaties" that have been "ratified" by the Senate.

Several U.N. supporters in Congress rose in opposition to Paul's amendment.

Rep. Chris Shays (R-Conn.) said, "world poverty can be eradicated only with an American presence in the U.N."

Rep. Nita Lowey (D-N.Y.) said, "It has been our policy that educating the populations of the world, spreading democracy, has been in the best interests of the United States."

Other amendment opponents stated that without U.S. membership in the U.N., "living standards would plummet and economies would crumble across the globe."

Six Years Later...

U.S. taxpayers will be paying \$600,000.00 to renovate the kitchen at the residence of the U.S. ambassador to the United Nations. The residence is in New York's Waldorf-Astoria hotel. According to an anonymous State Department official, "Yeah, it's a lot of money, but it's a lot of work and it's worth it."

http://story.news.yahoo.com/news?tmpl=story&u=/afp/20030402/od_afp/us_un_envoy_kitchen_030402183214

Militias and Standing Armies

By Jim Kerr

Organized national defense takes the form of either a standing army or a militia. Militias are based upon the Biblical, grassroots premise of rule from the bottom, up, and exist in truly libertarian nations. Militiamen collectively defend their rights, and they plunder nobody; not even foreigners. Insofar as foreign nations go, they mind their own business.

Conversely, standing armies are imperial in character. While they may sometimes be used to protect life and property, history teaches us that they are more frequently used to assert the will of a sovereign (e.g., king, president, secretary general, etc) over foreigners. Sometimes, standing armies are used to oppress their own kinsmen, as was the case with the Waco Massacre.

The Founders and Framers understood what and who the militia were. As George Mason, in the debates in the convention of the Commonwealth of Virginia (June 14, 1788) stated: "*Who are the militia? They consist now of the whole people....*" "[A] militia, when properly formed, are in fact the people themselves...." [Ascribed to Richard Henry Lee.] "*Who are these militia? are they not ourselves.*" [Letter from Tench Coxe to the Pennsylvania Gazette (Feb. 20, 1778)] The militia is composed of the people generally possessed of arms which they know how to use; and a standing army is some formal military group separate and distinct from the people at large.

Madison also appreciated the value of militias, as is reflected in his *Federalist* No. 46 where he argued that the power of Congress under the proposed constitution "[t]o raise and support Armies" (art. 1, § 8, cl.12) posed no threat to liberty because any such army, if misused, "*would be opposed [by] a militia amounting to near half a million of citizens with arms in their hands*" and then noting "*the advantage of being armed, which the Americans possess over the people of almost every other nation,*" in contrast to "*the several kingdoms of Europe*" where "*the governments are afraid to trust the people with arms.*" *The Federalist Papers* at 299 (Rossiter, New American Library). Plainly, Madison saw an armed people as a foundation of the militia which would provide security for a "free" state, one which, like America but unlike the "kingdoms of Europe," was not afraid to trust its people to have their own arms. The militia consisted of the people bearing their own arms when called to active service, arms which they kept and hence knew how to use. If the people were disarmed there could be no militia (well-regulated or otherwise) as it was then understood. That expresses the proper understanding of the relationship between the Second Amendment's preamble and its substantive guarantee.

Justice Joseph Story, in his

In the beginning of change the patriot is a scarce man, brave, hated and scorned. When his cause succeeds, however, the timid join him, for then it costs nothing to be a patriot. -- Mark Twain

highly esteemed *Commentaries on the Constitution* (1833) described the militia in this manner:

"The militia is the natural defense of a free country against foreign invasions, domestic insurrections, and domestic usurpations of power by rulers. It is against sound policy for a free people to keep up large military establishments and standing armies in time of peace, both from the enormous expenses, with which they are attended, and the facile means which they afford to ambitious and unprincipled rulers, to subvert the government, or trample the rights of the people. The right of a citizen to keep and bear arms has justly been considered the palladium of the liberties of the republic, since it offers a strong moral check against the usurpation and arbitrary power of rulers, and will generally, even if these are successful in the first instance, enable the people to resist and triumph over them."

10 Worst States to Travel in with a Handgun

By Chuck Baldwin

A recent article by attorney J. Scott Kappas in *Handguns* magazine chronicles the ten worst states for U.S. citizens to travel in with a handgun. Interestingly, none of the offending states are located in the Southeast or the West. Predictably, seven of the ten are located in the Northeast. Here is the list, ranked in order.

1. Washington, D.C.
2. Massachusetts
3. Hawaii
4. New Jersey
5. New York
6. Connecticut
7. Maryland
8. Illinois
9. Rhode Island
10. Michigan

However, there is an effort underway in Congress for states to be able to reciprocate the Carry Concealed Weapon (CCW) permits nationwide. This would allow CCW permit holders to legally carry their concealed weapons when they travel outside their home states. Under this law, their CCW permits would be honored by the various states much in the same manner that driver's licenses are honored state-to-state.

The bill is numbered H.R. 990 and is titled the "Secure Access to Firearms Enhancement (SAFE) Act of 2003." The bill's chief sponsor is John Hostettler (R-8th/IN). I would think all gun owners would want to get behind this bill.

In the meantime, be very careful about traveling with a handgun in the above listed states. Obviously, they have never heard of the Second Amendment. As a result, visitors to those states could find themselves equally victimized by both the criminals and the criminal justice system.

-- May 20, 2003

Celebrate Your Freedom

As we prepare to celebrate our freedom this Fourth of July, let's go over a few things to make the celebration a success.

Don't use any illegal fireworks. It is for your own safety.

Make sure your seat belts are buckled, there will be roadblocks and checkpoints to make sure you comply. It is for the children.

If you are a Worldcom or Enron former employee, lighten up for the holiday, you can always look for a job later.

Don't mention God or Jesus if celebrating on any public property. Government is God there. You will be apprehended.

Have your papers ready as you approach the police checkpoints.

Don't criticize the President or other government officials, you might be in violation of the Patriot Act and considered a possible terrorist.

If your children get out of line, do not discipline them, or they may be kidnapped by the Dept. of Social Services and held hostage until you receive approved psychological therapy and are deemed acceptable.

Show compassion by bringing along an illegal immigrant or by hugging a tree.

If an election is occurring in your locality within the next 90 days, do not talk about or publicly support any candidate, as that is no longer lawful. Keep your mouth shut.

If an officer asks to search your vehicle at the "seat belt" checks, do not be belligerent and demand a search warrant. Standing up for your fourth amendment rights is anti-social and not in tune with the new American way. Are you with Al Queda or something?

Do not get upset when the searching officer will not help you pick up your belongings that he has strewn all over the highway as he searched your vehicle. It is not in his job description and complaining will get you charged with obstructing justice.

Keep your guns at home. You are not going hunting and besides, What on earth do guns have to do with

freedom? Better yet, turn your guns into the authorities to let them know that you are a true patriotic American.

If celebrating at the mall in Washington DC. you are probably safe as the mall is now monitored by hundreds of surveillance cameras, watched by federal security forces. Don't do anything that you wouldn't want them to see.

Bring lots of cash with you, there will be many taxes, fines, and fees to pay as you celebrate your freedoms this day.

Do not leave home without your driver's license, social security card, birth certificate, welfare card, medicare card, medical records, W-2 Form, and two others forms of ID. You may be asked for them at the police checkpoints. Better yet, get micro-chipped, and avoid the hassle of carrying around your papers.

Bring your library card, the FBI may ask you for it.

Do not put any "anti-government" bumper stickers on your car. Especially not anything about the right to keep and bear arms. Police have been trained by the FBI in "bumper sticker profiling". This attracts their attention at the check points, and makes you look like a terrorist.

If traveling by air, do not give the airport screeners a hard time. They are feeling you up and molesting your daughter and wife for the security of America. If you complain you could be arrested. You don't support Bin Laden do you?

Keep an eye on your fellow Americans. If you see anything suspicious, take notes so that you can report them to the Homeland Security Office. And remember you are not a nosey snitch, you are a great American Patriot.

Do not mention the signers of the Declaration of Independence. Mentioning these white subversive terrorists is not popular and could get you in big trouble. Besides what do these guys have to do with living in a free country anyway?

Do not leave home without one or more little plastic American flags made by political slaves in Communist China. Make sure you have one flying from the antenna of your vehicle. You don't want to seem un-American do you?

Do not take a copy of the Declaration of Independence with you as it advocates the overthrow of tyrannical government. It is a terrorist document and will be confiscated at the holiday police checkpoints. Same advice for the Constitution.

And remember, as you leave home, that the second you step out of your door you probably broke hundreds of federal, state, and local laws that you are probably unaware of. However, if you tow the line, you will not be charged.

Now go out and celebrate your freedom!

DOJ OKs Inaccurate FBI Data

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Justice Department has lifted a requirement that the FBI ensure the accuracy and timeliness of information about criminals and crime victims before adding it to the country's most comprehensive law enforcement database.

The system, run by the FBI's National Crime Information Center, includes data about terrorists, fugitives, warrants, people missing, gang members and stolen vehicles, guns or boats.

Records are queried increasingly by the nation's law enforcement agencies to help decide whether to monitor, detain or arrest someone. The records are inaccessible to the public, and police have been prosecuted in U.S. courts for misusing the system to find, for example, personal information about girlfriends or former spouses.

Officials said the change, which immediately drew criticism from civil-liberties advocates, is necessary to ensure investigators have access to information that can't be confirmed but could take on new significance later, FBI spokesman Paul Bresson said.

The change to the 1974 U.S. Privacy Act was disclosed with an announcement published in the Federal Register.

The Privacy Act previously required the FBI to ensure information was "accurate, relevant, timely and complete" before it could be added to the system.

"It's a pretty big job to be accurate and complete," said Stewart Baker, a Washington lawyer who specializes in technology and surveillance issues. "On the other hand, these are potentially very significant records for people, and if it's not accurate and complete, it can mean trouble."

Critics urged Congress to review the change, arguing that information in the computer files was especially important because it can affect many aspects of a person's life.

"This is information that has always been stigmatizing, the type of

data that can prevent someone from getting a job," said Marc Rotenberg of the Washington-based Electronic Privacy Information Center. "When you remove the accuracy obligations, you open the door to the use of unreliable information."

Critics have noted complaints for years about wrong information in the computer files that disrupted the lives of innocent citizens. In one case, a Phoenix resident was arrested for minor traffic violations that had been quashed weeks earlier; in another, a civilian was misidentified as a Navy deserter.

The system "is replete with inaccurate, untimely information, but everybody does their best to keep it up to date," said Beryl Howell, former general counsel to the Senate Judiciary Committee. "That's a goal we shouldn't just throw out."

In the change, the Justice Department said earlier restrictions on information "would limit the ability of trained investigators and intelligence analysts to exercise their judgment in reporting on investigations and impede the development of criminal intelligence necessary for effective law enforcement."

It added that, because the system collects its data from so many other organizations, "it is administratively impossible to ensure compliance." -- Electronic Privacy Information Center: <http://www.epic.org/>

Feds Stiff Local Police

Nevada law enforcement leaders are upset that federal officials did not share allegations with them that a terrorist sleeper cell in Detroit wanted to destroy Las Vegas.

Undersheriff Doug Gillespie said he, Sheriff Bill Young and other area law enforcement leaders were not aware of such allegations until reading a *Review-Journal* article. The story related a government informant's testimony in Detroit indicating terrorists with video footage of the MGM Grand wanted to destroy Las Vegas.

Gillespie said, "The sheriff has been in contact with the FBI as well as the U.S. Attorney's office. We're waiting to hear from those agencies as to why we did not receive any information about this." -- Sierra Times April 11, 2003

A Neo-Orwellian World

By Timothy Garton Ash

The systematic attempt to fool most of the people most of the time is the work of some of the most intelligent, best-informed and highly paid men and women in western societies: spin-

doctors, PR consultants, hacks and spooks. Like the Inner Party member, O'Brien, in George Orwell's *1984*, they know better. They have seen the photograph, tape or transcript that shows the public claim is wrong, but then, like O'Brien, they have dropped it down the memory hole: "'Ashes,' he said, 'Not even identifiable ashes. Dust. It does not exist. It never existed.'"

In Orwell's centenary year, the "war against terrorism" takes us to an Orwellian world in a quite unexpected way. We are told that Oceania (America, Britain and Australia) must go to war against Iraq, or, as it might be, Orwell's Eastasia or Eurasia, on the basis of reports from secret intelligence sources. One of the strongest passages in Tony Blair's powerful speech to the House of Commons justifying the war was his rhetorical reiteration "I know ... I know ...", followed by claims about dictatorships being "a short time away from having a serviceable nuclear weapon" that the ordinary citizen has no way of checking.

The trend, in journalism as in politics, and probably now in the political use of intelligence, is away from the facts and towards a neo-Orwellian world of manufactured reality. This is something slightly different from (though close to) straight lies.

-- *The Guardian*. June 5, 2003

Judicial Tyrants Rule New Jersey

Critics of NJ Chief Justice Deborah Poritz are questioning the intellectual quality of the decisions written during her tenure. Supreme Court opinions delivered on shaky legal reasoning, they explain, can easily be reversed by future courts.

A recent ruling by the Poritz court that the state could continue to obtain long-term loans without voter approval, is a case in point.

The state constitution appears to require voter approval for that kind of borrowing.

The Supreme Court conceded as much but Poritz asserted the mandate has been flouted so long by the Legislature that to end the practice now would create chaos.

The decision upholds an earlier ruling forcing the state to spend \$8.6 billion for school construction in poor school districts and allows the McGreevey administration to spend \$175 million on a plan to help revive Camden - both without voter approval.

Since the Supreme Court was created in the 1947 state constitution, it has been dominated by Arthur

Vanderbilt, Joseph Weintraub, Richard Hughes and Robert Wilentz and often peopled by justices who were considered legal scholars.]

But nowadays it is almost impossible to go through a political campaign in New Jersey without hearing conservative candidates declare that if elected, they will stand up and defy New Jersey's high court. One recent candidate asserted that he would go to jail rather than obey a Supreme Court decision that ordered him to spend taxpayers' dollars for something he opposed.

Opposition to state Supreme Court rulings that have forced suburban communities to allow low-income housing have enraged state legislators and local officials for almost three decades.

The unanimous ruling by the Hughes court that closed all public schools until the Legislature passed the state's first income tax to help pay for education still rankles politicians and voters today, more than a quarter of a century after it was handed down.

At this point, the independence of the New Jersey court may be beyond the power of any governor or Legislature to change.

Governors come and go. They appoint justices to the court only to have the justices make rulings that disappoint them. Legislatures change names and partisan colorings but they have little impact on the operations of the court.

Former Gov. Christie Whitman learned that lesson last year when the justices, most of whom she appointed, unanimously ruled that a statute setting a final date for changing election ballots could be ignored.

The ruling allowed the Democratic Party to reprint ballots that listed U.S. Sen. Robert Torricelli as their candidate for Senate and substitute Frank Lautenberg, a former U.S. senator, after Torricelli withdrew from the race [because he was behind in the polls – Ed.]

Whitman and just about every Republican in the state cried foul, but the ruling stood and Lautenberg easily defeated Republican Douglas Forrester.

As one liberal attorney commented, "We were glad to applaud the outcome, but the court's ruling was not easily justified. The court said the old ballot deadline was based on the time it used to take to print ballots.

"With new electronic technology, the ballots could be printed almost overnight and as long as the Democrats were willing to pay for the printing, there was no practical reason for not allowing the new ballots."

"That's OK, but the constitution was ignored and once again the court failed to order the Legislature to change the constitution or be stuck with the old deadline in future years."

-- From an article by Jim Goodman, *Trenton Times*, June 8, 2003

Commentary: Under the 1776 NJ Constitution, the judiciary was not independent, as it is today. Article I provided that "the Government of this Province shall be vested in a Governor, Legislative Council and General Assembly". The judiciary was not even named as a branch. The early view was that the judiciary was part of the Executive Branch, and that, as with the Executive (the Governor was elected not by the people directly as now, but by the State Legislature), judges should be named by the Legislature. Therefore, Article 12 provided that judges be selected by the Legislature for limited terms, a mechanism obviously creating dependence. Today NJ Supreme Court judges enjoy uninterrupted terms till mandatory retirement at age 70.

The Governor and the Legislative Council served as the "Court of Appeals in the last resort" (exercising the same power as our current State Supreme Court) under Article 9. The Council actually provided a political review of legal decisions rendered by the Supreme Court (Article 12).

Notwithstanding this (former) dependency, the NJ Supreme Court is often credited with establishing the doctrine of judicial review in the case of *Holmes v. Walton* (1780), a full 23 years before the US Supreme Court landmark case of *Marbury v. Madison*. The case involved a challenge to a statutory enactment calling for jury trials consisting of six (6) jurors. The 1776 State Constitution, however, incorporated English Common law by reference which required trial by twelve (12) jurors. The legislature acquiesced, and amended the statute to require 12 jurors.

Heads Up, SW Militias

El Movimiento Estudianti Chicano de Aztlan (Chicano Student Movement of Aztlan) or MEChA supports "la reconquista" of Aztlan, known to you as the American Southwest. In other words, MEChA wants Mexico to "reclaim" California, New Mexico, Arizona, Texas and parts of other southwestern states.

According to the MEChA Preamble taken directly from its Constitution

(www.brownmecha.org/doc_mnc.html) "Chicano and Chicana students of Aztlan must take upon themselves the responsibilities to promote Chicanismo within the community, politicizing our Raza with an emphasis on indigenous consciousness to continue the struggle for the self-determination of the Chicano people for the purpose of liberating Aztlan."

The MEChA motto is "Por La Raza todo. Fuera de La Raza nada" "Everything for the Race - Nothing outside the Race."

MEChA's symbol (<http://oregonstate.edu/groups/mecha/photos.htm>) is an eagle with its wings spread, bearing a macahuitl in one claw and a dynamite stick in the other with the lighted fuse in its beak. (A macahuitl is a two-handed wooden broadsword edged with razor-sharp flint or obsidian (<http://www.angelfire.com/ga4/guilmartin.com/Revolution.html>) used by Mexican Indians against the conquistadors.)

Almost every California university campus and most high schools have active MEChA chapters that promote separatism and anti-American sentiment.

Ed.: heads up, SW militias

Never Tell a Cop

1. I can't reach my license unless you hold my beer.
2. Sorry, Officer, I didn't realize my radar detector wasn't plugged in.
3. Aren't you the guy from the Village People?
4. Hey, you must've been doin' about 125 to keep up with me. Good job!
5. Are You Andy or Barney?
6. I thought you had to be in relatively good physical condition to be a police officer.
7. You're not gonna check the trunk, are you?
8. I pay your salary!
9. Gee, Officer! That's terrific. The last officer only gave me a warning, too!
10. Do you know why you pulled me over? Okay, just so one of us does.
11. I was trying to keep up with traffic. Yes, I know there are no other cars around. That's how far ahead of me they are.
12. If the Officer says "Gee Son....Your eyes look red, have you been drinking?" You probably shouldn't say, "Gee Officer your eyes look glazed, have you been eating doughnuts?"

U.S. Plans Death Camp

The US has floated plans to turn Guantanamo Bay into a death camp, with its own death row and execution chamber.

Prisoners would be tried, convicted and executed without leaving its boundaries, without a jury and without right of appeal, according to *The Mail on Sunday* newspaper.

The plans were revealed by Major-General Geoffrey Miller, who is in charge of 680 suspects from 43 countries, including two Australians.

The suspects have been held at Camp Delta on Cuba without charge for 18 months.

General Miller said building a death row was one plan. Another was to have a permanent jail, with possibly an execution chamber.

The US has already said detainees would be tried by tribunals, without juries or appeals to a higher court. Detainees will be allowed only US lawyers. -- www.news.com.au, May 26, 2003

Ed.: no word yet if Gen. Miller will accept US citizens designated "enemy combatants."

Zero Sum Game

By Emiliano Antunez

The picture on the front page of the *Miami Herald's* local section spoke volumes. A man's lifeless body lay covered by a white sheet, next to his outstretched hand lay a crowbar. His name was Jonada Campos a 49 year old immigrant from Nicaragua who was shot to death by robbers at his jewelry store. His wife Angela also died as a result of the shooting.

Mr. Campos died while trying to defend his wife and son with a crowbar. Unfortunately his assailants had guns. Why would a jewelry store owner not have a gun on the premises? The answer comes from Scott Miller General Manager of the Opa-lacka Flea Market where the store was located. When asked about the Flea Market's policy on guns, Mr. Miller responded "If a vendor was found to keep a weapon at the booth, they would be gone; no

second chances-it's a zero tolerance policy."

-- *Sierra Times*, May 29, 2003

Hooray for the 22d Amendment

"I think since people are living much longer," former President Bill Clinton announced during a recent public appearance, "the 22nd Amendment should probably be modified to say two consecutive terms instead of two terms for a lifetime."

The 22d Amendment, ratified February 27, 1951: No person shall be elected to the office of the President more than twice, and no person who has held the office of President, or acted as President, for more than two years of a term to which some other person was elected President shall be elected to the office of the President more than once. But this Article shall not apply to any person holding the office of President when this Article was proposed by the Congress...

Letters

To the Editor,

In *US v. Wheeler* [254 US 28, 295 (1920)] the Supreme Court stated: "It was undoubtedly the object of the clause in question to place the citizens of each State upon the same footing with citizens of other states.....it inhibits discriminating legislation against them by other States..."

So if the court is correct the above decision informs the American people that should they travel to any of the other States of the Union, the right, privileges or immunities they have been exercising in their state of domicile is retained by them in every other state that they may travel to, for the "Full Faith and Credit" clause protects those State citizens, from any other State's legislation that may be discriminating against them and infringe their rights.

This would mean then, that if you have a license to carry a firearm in your state, by the above decision, you would be able to carry you gun under that license in EVERY OTHER STATE!

No state can enact legislation

that would inhibit the rights, privileges or immunities of any citizen, as they exercise same in ANY OTHER STATE.

Unless of course, the US Supreme Court is wrong to include the MIRANDA decision?

DD, Massachusetts

Ed.: There's just one flaw in DD's analysis. We don't need no stinkin' license to carry a firearm.

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Hey NJM,

Can't find a job that's permanent. Sending you 20 FRNs anyway. I send the newsletter to all Confederate organizations in the South. They love it. Send it to a patriot lady in New Orleans and she distributes it to all the militias in the South.

EE, North Carolina

P.S. Bet I use more stamps and envelopes than you! For a free South.

* * *

Dear N.J.M.,

Find enclose 30 stamps (37 cents each) to continue my subscription. Please send sample copy to my very good friend FF. Also one to my favorite libertarian talk show hostess, and member of the Second Amendment Sisters Rollye James (WPHT, Philadelphia, 1210 AM) from midnite to 2 a.m. M-F. (That's why I threw in a couple of extra stamps, even though I'm low on dough.)

GG, State Prisoner

The New World Odor

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